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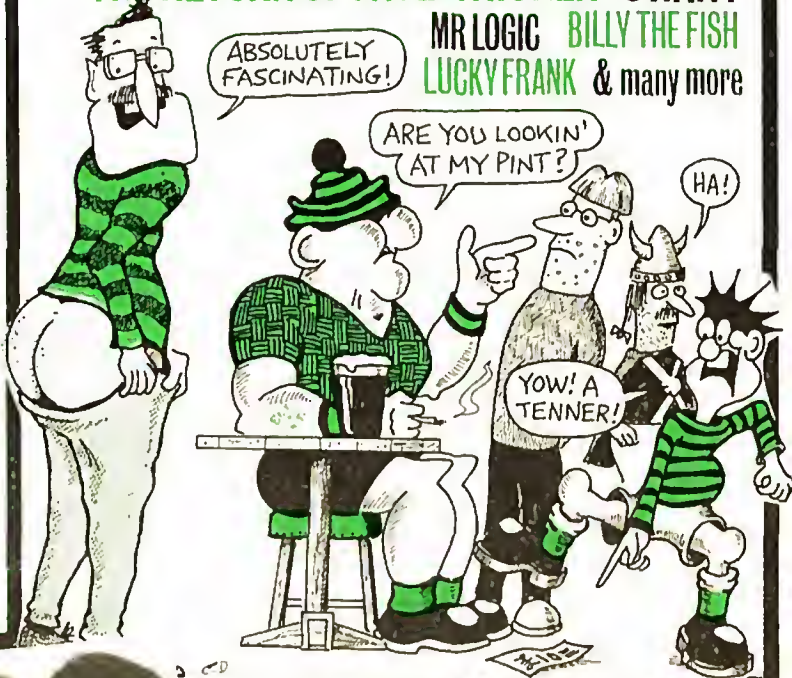
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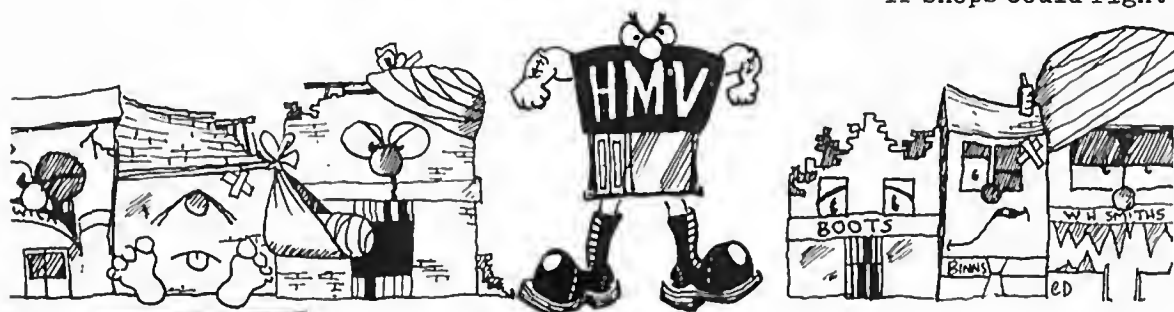
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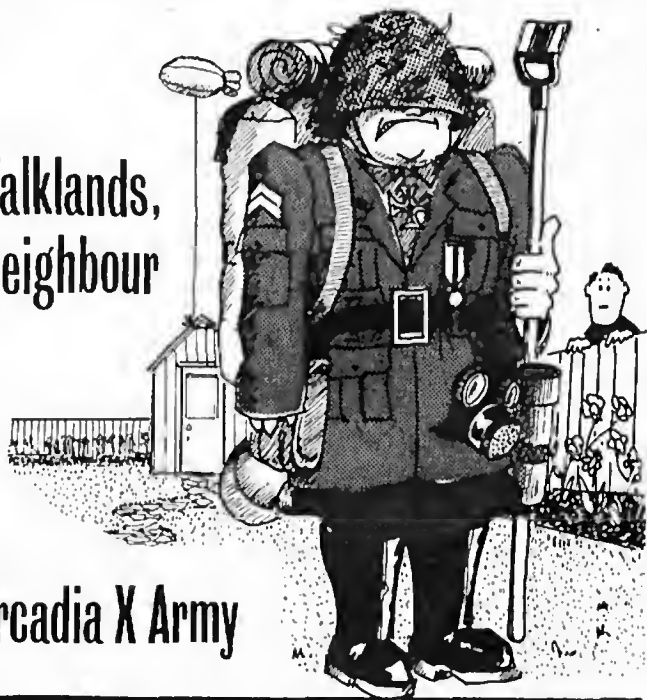
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Lucky find for man, 66

EXCLUSIVE

- Diary scoop attic shocker

Retired gardener Arthur
Gubbins got the shock of his
life the day he decided to
clear out his attic.

For Arthur, 66, found
Hitler's diary.

LUCK

"It was covered in dust, and
at first I didn't realise
what it was", Arthur told us.
"I couldn't believe my luck
when I opened it. Heaven
knows how it got there".

WAR

The diary contains notes
made by Hitler during the
war, and is worth several
million pounds.

THE

This isn't the first time
Arthur has hit the jackpot
with a lucky find. In 1976
his pet labrador Ben dug up
a diary belonging to the
Egyptian monarch
Tutenkhamun on wasteland
near Arthur's home in
Pulchester.

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The extract shown here dates
from May 1940.



Pathetic cartoons present:-
BADLY DRAWN MAN.



READ & LEARN

WITH NAYLOR HAMMOND, BSc.

TELEVISION

As you probably know, every day millions of people take famous television programmes like 'The Archers' for granted. But it wasn't very long ago that people were finding it impossible to imagine life as we know it today without the television.

It all began with Alexander Graham Bell's immortal words, "Can you hear me Livingstone?" Television had been born and within days it had become a household object.

But early TV programmes were crude affairs. Indeed the radio as it was then known was similar to the telephone in that it didn't have a picture. Hence the nickname 'Talkies' which referred to the early broadcasts like Kenneth Williams and Charlie Chaplin.

The first TV pictures were a far cry from the colourful ones we see on today's silver screen. At one time all programmes had to be made in black and white, making it difficult for sneaker players to distinguish between different balls. Television played a major role in the Battle Of Britain (starring Michael Caine) when 'Radar', (a kind of army television) enabled submarines to go underneath the water for long periods at a time.

Z Cars was probably the first programme ever to appear on TV. Since then there have of course been many others, including Dr Who, The News and Blue Peter. But according to viewing figures (people who watch television all the time) the most successful programme ever is The Mousetrap. The longest running breakfast cereal over, it features Albert Tatlock, Elsie Tanner and co. in the everyday story of Brookside, a fictitious motel built especially for television by the people who actually live there.

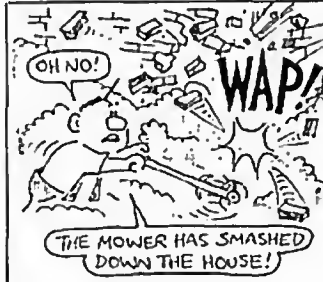
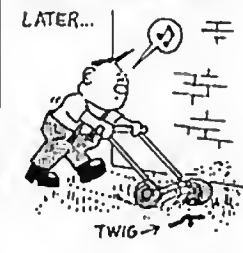
Nowadays modern inventions like the satellite, (a kind of flying space television) are appearing in living rooms across the world. The growing popularity of micro-chips and other convenience foods such as Breakfast TV, TV Snacks and the electrically powered 'Cable' TV (which uses complicated wires to obtain a bigger picture), have revolutionised television design.

Now, and with the advent of the space age, 'E.T.' and 'Space Invaders' are replacing the older televisions in many homes. However, a useful magazine called 'TV Times' is now available to people interested in televisions. It contains colour pictures and is available from most newsagents priced 35 pence.

See you next time!
 Naylor Hammond
 BSc.

BOB-A-JOB BOB

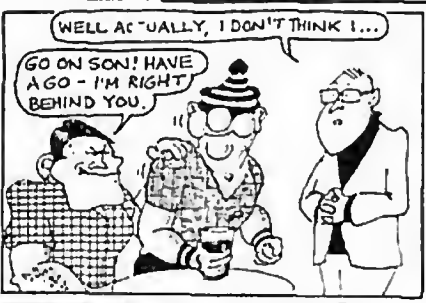
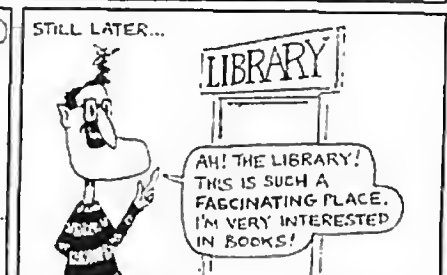
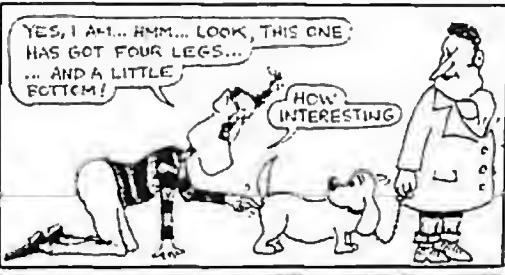
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ZOO OF SHAME

EXCLUSIVE

Animals made love as children watched

Our reporters have investigated a disturbing behind the scenes sex scandal at a leading London zoo. And we have proof that staff at the zoo in Regents Park have actually encouraged sex between animals.

PENGUINS

On a recent visit to the zoo we watched as penguins made love openly while visitors, some of them young children, passed nearby. And we witnessed giraffes attempting sex as a zoo keeper looked on.

NAKED

In the reptile house the temperature was noticeably high, and we saw lizards and snakes romp naked in the grass.

PASSION

Nearby a crowd watched as lions explored each others bodies, while in the next cage leopards prepared for a night of passion.

ACTS

It seems that such acts of shame are an everyday occurrence at this, the zoo of sin. And the staff there have been actively involved in encouraging sexual relationships between animals.

KEY

We can reveal that the zoos top attraction, Chi Chi the giant panda, is the key figure in an international sex syndicate involving well known zoos in China and the USA.

Our investigations revealed that the bear is regularly taken out of the country to other zoos where it is forced into sex sessions with other pandas.

CLAIMS

Yesterday the zoos head keeper was not prepared to discuss our claims. But when we confronted him with our dossier, including photographs of a young rabbit having sex, we were told to piss off.



This woman sold children ice cream while animals had sex

DJ to wed table - claim

Officials at the BBC are denying rumours that disc jockey Tony Blackburn plans to marry a table.

Fame

Blackburn, who shot to fame with his 'Bisto' gravy commercials in the seventies, is said to have met the table at a showbiz party shortly after losing his daytime show on Radio One.

Divorce

A spokesman for Radio One said that Blackburn, divorced from pretty TV actresses Tessa Wyatt, was unavailable for comment.

★ POP SCRAMBLE

HMN A ERARE

GNEAMITCAL

BIRONG KOA ORD

Can you scramble the letters above to make the names of three chart topping bands?

★ Turn to page 18 for the answer.

Is your house on fire?

Ring us today

The Fire Brigade
Pilgrim Street
Newcastle
Telephone 999

Ring loads of people who you've never even heard of in Australia, now.

British
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part of the Post Office

TALKING SENSE

with
Charlie Pontoon



Three million unemployed? What a load of rubbish. Kids today just can't be bothered. Why do we pay out social security to three million scroungers when they haven't even got the sense to get a job? It's like spending money on old rope. Come on Kaggie. Hit the scroungers, and hit 'em hard.

★ ★ ★

It's all well and good aiming missiles at Russia, but anyone who knows their history will tell you that the French are the real troublemakers. So come on Kaggie. Hit the frogs, and hit 'em hard.

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Jimmy Hill tells us that football hooliganism is killing the game. So what's he gonna do about it? Talking on the telly isn't going to help.

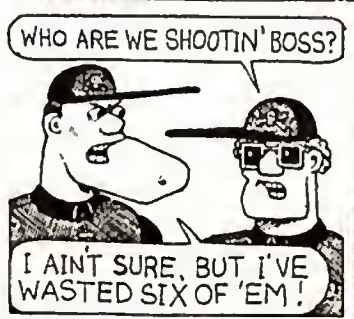
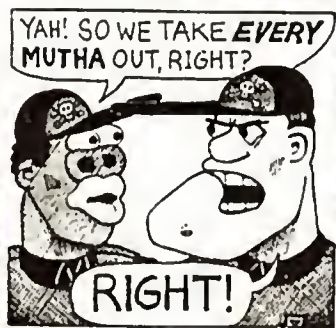
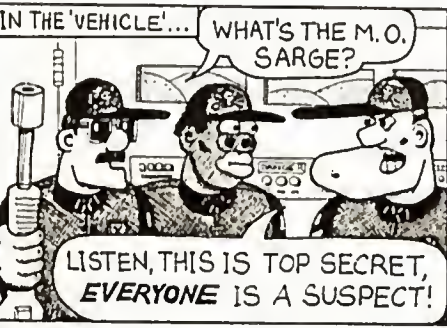
So come on Jimmy. Get down on the terraces next Saturday, and give those hooligans a hiding they're never gonna forget.

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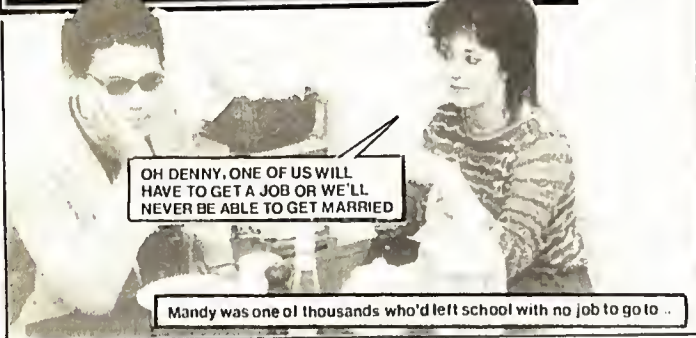
At last there's a law on wearing seat belts. About time too. But how do we expect the police to enforce the law when motorists outnumber them by over a thousand to one.

Now's the time to get the coppers toolled up. It makes sense. Motorists won't argue if they're looking down the barrel of a .38!

ALBERT O'BALSAM and his MAGIC HAT




Love Is Blind...



OH DENNY, ONE OF US WILL HAVE TO GET A JOB OR WE'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO GET MARRIED


Mandy was one of thousands who'd left school with no job to go to ..

Suddenly



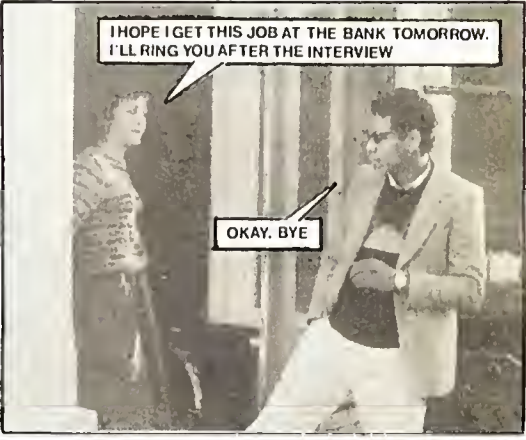
YOU'D BETTER GO NOW DENNIS. COME ON SON, OUT!

YES MR BAXTER



OH DADDY, YOU HATE HIM JUST BECAUSE HE'S BLIND, COLOURED AND UNEMPLOYED. BUT I LOVE HIM AND I ALWAYS WILL

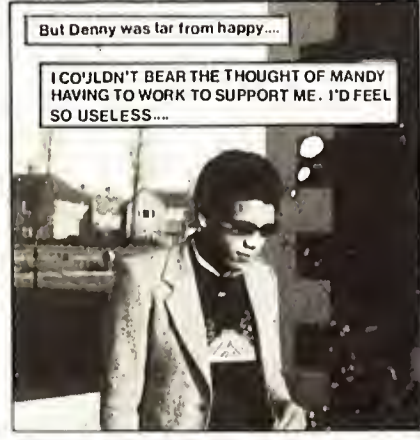
IT'S ALRIGHT MANDY, I'M GOING



I HOPE I GET THIS JOB AT THE BANK TOMORROW. I'LL RING YOU AFTER THE INTERVIEW

OKAY. BYE

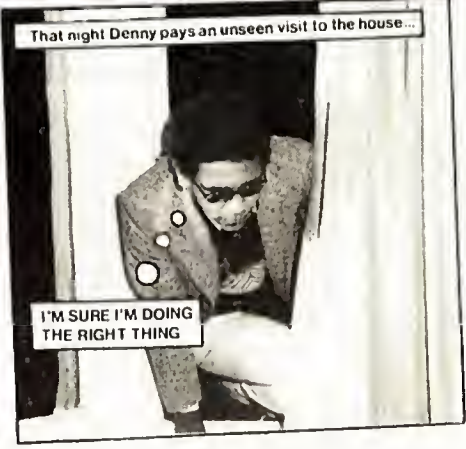
But Denny was far from happy....



I CO'JLDN'T BEAR THE THOUGHT OF MANDY HAVING TO WORK TO SUPPORT ME. I'D FEEL SO USELESS....

I MUST STOP HER GETTING THAT JOB!

That night Denny pays an unseen visit to the house...



I'M SURE I'M DOING THE RIGHT THING

That morning



OH NO! ALL MY CLOTHES HAVE GONE!! AND I'VE GOT MY INTERVIEW IN LESS THAN AN HOURS TIME!!!



I'LL HAVE TO WEAR THIS; MY BROTHER'S FOOTBALL STRIP

At the bus stop



I JUST HOPE I'M ON TIME

At last Mandy arrives at the bank

WELL, HERE WE ARE

I DON'T STAND A CHANCE. EVERYONE ELSE IS REALLY SMART

Then the moment arrived

MISS BAXTER? THIS WAY PLEASE

HERE GOES!

Thirty seconds later

DON'T CALL US
WE'LL CALL YOU

WELL I'VE BLOWN THAT. I GUESS WE'LL
NEVER GET MARRIED NOW

It was a long walk home for Mandy, with a tear in
her eye for the boy she loved

I'D BETTER CROSS
THE ROAD

CAN I HELP YOU?

WAIT A MOMENT. I RECOGNIZE THAT VOICE.
DENNY!! YOU'RE A POLICEMAN

OH DENNY, I'M SO
PROUD OF YOU

YES. I ONLY APPLIED FOR THE JOB THIS MORNING.
THEY ASKED ME TO START RIGHT AWAY

YES. AND NOW I CAN AFFORD TO BUY YOU
THAT RING I PROMISED

The End



THAT'S RIGHT! IT'S ME!
I BET YOU THOUGHT
YOU'D GOT RID OF ME!
WELL..... YOU WERE
FUCKIN' WRONG!!!

PAUL WHICKER

WHO IS NO LONGER A VICAR,
BUT IS DEFINATELY STILL TALL.

FROM TIME TO TIME, YOU
MAY FIND YOURSELF... ER
.. BETWEEN APPOINTMENTS
AS I DID RECENTLY AFTER
CLOCKING THE BISHOP
ON THE SNOTBOX...
I'M NOT SAYING THAT
IT WASN'T WORTH IT
TO SLAP THE OLD GIT...



BUT IT LEFT ME WITH
A PROBLEM... VIS A VIS
BEER MONEY. TO THIS
END, I HAULED MY ASS
DOWN TO THE D.H.S.S.
TO CLAIM WHAT WAS
RIGHTFULLY MINE...
'NOT SO EASY' Y' MIGHT
SAY - AN' YOU'D BE RIGHT!



I'M AFRAID YOU'LL HAVE
TO WAIT IN THE QUEUE
IF YOU WANT TO CLAIM
UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFIT.

NEW CLAIMS
SEE WHAT I MEAN?



THIS CALLS FOR ACTION!

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE
ME TO STICK MY FINGER
DOWN MY THROAT AND
FETCH UP MY DINNER
ALL OVER YOUR
NICE COUNTER?



WELL, REALLY... IF
YOU INSIST ON BEING
ABUSIVE I WILL CALL
THE SUPERVISOR...

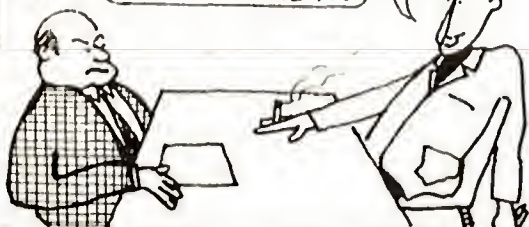


ABUSIVE? YOU
(A)I'NT HEARD
(N)OTHIN' YET YOU
(F)OUR-EYED
(P)ISS-POT!



IN THE SUPERVISOR'S OFFICE...
NOW THEN, WHAT SEEMS TO BE THE TROUBLE?

WELL, SINCE YOU ASK, FATMAN, I'LL
TELL YOU. THE PUBS OPEN IN HALF
AN HOUR AND I HAVEN'T GOT A RED
CENT WITH WHICH TO OIL
(MY GIZZARD ...)



PLUS... I'VE GOT A DATE
WITH A RED-HOT DAME,
AND I CAN HARDLY EXPECT
HER TO DROP HER KEX
IF SHE HAS TO PAY FOR
HER OWN LIQUOR



AS YOU CAN SEE,
YOU HAVE TO KNOW
HOW TO HANDLE THESE
FUCKERS, OR THEY'LL
HAVE YOU RUNNING
AROUND LIKE A
BLUE-ARSED FLY...

CHEEKY
TWAT?

B.A.F.



I FIND THIS VERY HARD TO BELIEVE,
BUT YOUR APPLICATION STATES THAT
YOU WERE A VICAR, AND AS SUCH
WE CAN PAY YOU NO BENEFIT SINCE
THE CHURCH IS A CHARITY, AND YOU
PAID NO NATIONAL INSURANCE...



WAT?! THEN I AM VERY MUCH AFRAID
I SHALL HAVE TO KICK YOUR LUNGS OUT!

PICK THE BONES OUT OF
THAT ONE CUNT-BUBBLE!



SAME AS IT EVER
WAS, EH READERS?



MR. LOGIC

SUCH IS MY NAME, SO THEREFORE ONE CAN ASSUME THAT THIS COMIC STRIP IS IN SOME WAY ABOUT ME. HE'S A PAIN IN THE ARSE.



IN THE POST OFFICE
DO YOU SELL POSTAGE STAMPS?

OF COURSE!

HOW MANY DO YOU WANT?

I DO NOT NECESSARILY REQUIRE ANY. I MERELY ASKED WHETHER OR NOT YOU SOLD POSTAGE STAMPS

HOWEVER I DO AT PRESENT REQUIRE ONE FIRST CLASS STAMP.

THAT'S 16 p PLEASE.

YOU ASSUME THAT I WISH TO MAKE A PURCHASE...

?

I MERELY STATED THAT I REQUIRED A STAMP, A PURCHASE DOES NOT NECESSARILY FOLLOW.

HOWEVER, I DO AT THIS POINT INTEND TO PURCHASE THE STAMP. ACCORDINGLY I REMIT THE SUM OF 16 NEW PENCE.

ARE YOU FINISHED YET, SMART ARSE?

MY FINANCIAL TRANSACTION IS COMPLETE, BUT MY NAME IS NOT "SMART ARSE"...

I WAS CHRISTENED ... **UGH!**
KNUT!

FIN.

BILLY BOGGLES

THE KID INVENTOR

TOMMY IS ENTERING THE BBC YOUNG SCIENTIST OF THE YEAR COMPETITION

NOW THEN, I'LL JUST MAKE A COUPLE OF SMALL ADJUSTMENTS TO THIS RADIO

FIRST I'LL REPLACE THIS ELECTRIC BIT WITH A SMALL MOUSE...

THEN AFFIX A PAIR OF ORDINARY SCISSORS TO THIS LONG WIRE BIT...

(AND THERE WE HAVE IT! A MOUSE SCISSOR RADIO!)

A TOTAL SUCCESS! NOW FOR MY NEXT EXPERIMENT...

... TO REPLACE MY HEAD WITH A COLOUR TELEVISION

FIRST I WILL REMOVE MY HEAD...

SAW

BOBBY CHARLTON OBE

BIRD SHITE

THIS CAR IS COVERED IN SHITE

BLEEDIN' BIRDS! THEY ALWAYS PICK ON MY CAR

RADIO '83

POP!

IN THE FABLED LAND OF NAVARNIA, FAR BEYOND THE EYES OF MORTAL MEN, LIVES.....

The MIGHTY ORGON

#1
THE QUEST.....

HA!

CAN I HELP YOU SIR?
THE MIGHTY ORGON
REQUIRES 20 REGAL!

SMOKEY'S
TAB KABIN

I'M SORRY SIR, I'VE JUST
SOLD THE LAST REGAL TO
BERGAND, KING OF MARL,
AND ALL THE LANDS
BEYOND THE XERCIL RIVER

HA! THE MIGHTY ORGON
IS DISPLEASED! MAY
THE WAILING WITCHES
OF THRAKE BLIGHT
YOUR CROPS FOR A
THOUSAND YEARS!

BARMY BASTARD!

A LITTLE LATER...

BY THE TWIN MOONS OF
HAKENTROLL! IT'S THE
GOLDEN GAUNTLET!

THE QUEST IS EXPLAINED...

... AND THAT IS THE
NATURE OF MY QUEST.

COME DOWN AND
FIGHT, DRAGON!

LIKE I KEEP
TELLING YOU,
FUCK- WITS,
I'M NOT A DRAGON
I'M A CAT...

GREETINGS MIGHTY
ORGON! HOW GOES THE
STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE
FORCES OF LIGHT & DARK?

AND A NOBLE QUEST
TOO! I SHALL JOIN YOU AND
WE SHALL FIND REGAL!
I SWEAR THIS ON THE
GRAVE OF MY MOTHER!*

LET NOT ONE OF
US REST UNTIL WE
LIGHT UP A REGAL!

THE GUARDIAN KNIGHT OF ZARG!

HA!

MIGHTY ORGON!
GOLDEN GAUNTLET!

THE QUEST
IS EXPLAINED
AGAIN.....

CHRIST! THEY
MUST HAVE LET
THEM ALL OUT
AT ONCE!

THE QUEST IS EXPLAINED YET AGAIN....

...SO THERE IT IS!

HA!

WHO'S THIS SHOUTING
HA! AT THE KING
OF THE SILVER SEA?
(MAY MY LOFTY
SHADOW CONTINUE
TO GROW!)

HA!

HMM... I MAY BE ABLE TO
HELP YOU... I WILL TAKE
YOU TO SEE THE ALL-WISE
ONE, THE ORACLE OF OGG!

IN THE CAVE OF
THE ORACLE....

I HAVE FORMULATED
A SOLUTION TO YOUR
PROBLEM....

GIVE UP
AND
FUCK OFF!

YEH! I DON'T
EVEN SMOKE
REGAL!

THERE'S A
GOOD MATCH
ON THE TELLY
TONIGHT...

GOOD IDEA!

HA!

BILLY JOHNSON 4/83

* SEE VIZ LEAGUE OF SUPERHEROES VOL 72. "GOLDEN GAUNTLET'S HAM STRIKES AGAIN."

Unusual year

1982 was certainly an unusual year for King of the Occult Poffo Spearjig, once known to the world as popular Wavio O'Shawe.

FELT NOWT

Perhaps best known to viewers of Channel 4's 'Tube' as 'The Hard', Spearjig made a total of nine movies in 1982. Titles such as 'Enter The Hard' are now hot property on South Shields' pirate video market.



SPEARJIG - Mental or what?

Through other activities that have ranged from meeting Pan, the God of Panic, to befriending a tree, Spearjig has received justified recognition from leading figures within the occult.

Early in the year he recorded an album, 'Texican Raveloni' which is soon to be released on Eccentric Records. It has been preceded by a single, 'Tie Your Laces Tight' (Eccentric UHET 1003) distributed through Pinnacle Records.

By virtue of the 'B' side alone this single looks set to out-sell Ring Crosby's 'White Christmas' several times over. 'You Won't Catch Me On The 503' is thigh slapping objectional bus driver music at its very best. Buy it and use.

A.S. →

However the chances of Spearjig ever appearing on Top Of The Pops are slim. He recently left Tyneside with an expedition to the Yorkshire Dales, where he hopes to discover the long lost Kingdom of Atlantis. And if he is successful, he plans to live there permanently in a flat.

Despite scepticism from a disbelieving public, Spearjig believes that as a result of his expedition history will have to be rewritten. As he himself says, "This might all read like fiction, but the funniest thing is that it's all true".

Band look super!

EXCLUSIVE

After two spectacular years of success Duran Duran look set to establish themselves as the best looking band in the history of pop. For as lead singer Simon Le Bon told us, "We're better looking now than the Boy City Rollers".

BLONDE

That may sound like an ambitious claim, but it is one which the band's millions of screaming fans would not dispute. Indeed, blonde haired Le Bon, probably the best looking man in Britain today, has been described by top DJ Peter Powell as "Better looking than all of the Osmonds put together".

ATTRACTIVE

Their journey to the top has been a hard one. They had to play in small seedy clubs with little or no money to spend on clothes, often having to share their make-up with the support band. But now these days are in the past.



Their recent success has led to world tour after world tour, together with expensive videos. But despite this hectic schedule the band have managed to remain attractive.

HANDSOME

"If anything we're better looking now than we were twelve months ago", blonde keyboard player Nick Rhodes told us. "It can be quite embarrassing looking back on some of the early photo sessions we did. But we've come a long way since then".

As far as the future is concerned there isn't much left for the band to achieve.

"It would be nice to quit while we're at the top", Le Bon told us. "I certainly wouldn't want to keep going just for the sake of it the way that Elvis did. He got really ugly".

LUSH

But he sees a much brighter future for Duran Duran. "When you look at Steve McQueen he was still good looking in his sixties. So we'll probably be around for a good while yet".

POP PIC PUZZLER



Can you identify the mystery pop star hiding behind this stack of amplifiers?

If you think you can, write and let us know. The first person to correctly identify our mystery star wins a crisp ten pound note. Turn to page 16 for the answer.

AT TIMES, I LIKE NOTHING BETTER THAN TO SPOIL MYSELF A LITTLE



Unusual band

The future looks rosy for fun band The R'n'B Spitfires for they are one of the most unusual bands in the North East.

Their debut single, 'I Ain't Him' b/w 'Honeymaker' was released on their own unusually named 'Mrs K' record label. And as if that isn't enough, they even have an unusual member. He is Belgian drummer Paul Goossens. And among their growing army of fans is top radio DJ Alexia Korner, who himself has an unusual name.

"One unusual thing just seems to lead to another", bassist Ken Potter told us.

The band have been thrilling audiences with their own fun brand of R'n'B in venues all over Britain for the last 2 years, and together with new guitarist Duncan Lister they plan to top the charts in '83. "But knowing us, something unusual is just bound to happen" quipped vocalist Mark Butcher.

THE VIZ ROCK AND POP AWARDS 1983

Who are Tops in the Pops?

After the success of BBC Nationwide's Rock And Pop Poll we decided to stage our own Rock And Pop Award to find out exactly who are the most popular band in the North East.

With bands as popular as The Toy Dolls, Jazawaki, Dutch, Kant Kino, The Hostageo, The Drifting Robots, Red Performance, The R'n'B Spitfires, The East Side Torpedoes and The Animals to name but a few, and a cheque for £100,000 going to the winners, the atmosphere was electric as the entire North East eagerly awaited the result.



Left to right: Tony McFadden of Darlington, former Newcastle idol 'Jinky' Jimmy Smith, Chris Waddle, Terry McDermott and Steve Carney (all Newcastle), Arthur 2 Stroke and ex United star Jimmy Thompson. Chart Commandos Steve Lee and Davey Bruce are in the foreground. Kevin Keegan isn't in this picture.

The award was decided on penalty kicks, with everyone taking 5 penalties. And the winners were the very popular nine piece band Arthur 2 Stroke and the Chart Commandos, who scored a maximum possible 45 penalties.

Among the unlucky runners up were The Toy Dolls who didn't miss a single kick, but being a three piece could only manage 15.

Members of the winning band are seen receiving the 'Viz Best Band' award together with a cheque for £100,000 from England star Terry McDermott, himself a keen footballer, together with other Newcastle United stars past and present.



Above - The Animals scored no goals at all. This Allan Price effort sails harmlessly wide. Below - Two Chart Commandos celebrate the winner.



The R'n'B Spitfires explore each other's bodies



Bag this fab disc!!

Here's your chance to win a copy of the fabulous live LP by Arthur 2 Stroke And The Chart Commandos. Just answer these 3 questions and send your entry to our address on page 3.

1. What was Arthur 2 Stroke's first single?
a. Who Who Song b. Wundersea World of Jacques Cousteau
c. Hawaii Five O.
2. Name the TV detective who stars in Hawaii Five O.
a. Harry O b. Kojak c. Steve McGarrett
3. A forward is obstructed outside the penalty area. You whistle, but he continues into the area and is fouled. Do you: a. Award a penalty b. Award an indirect free kick from the edge of the penalty area c. Abandon the match.

With such a reputation for unusual things, the band are certainly one to watch in coming months.

Incidentally, the band are available for collidhs, weddingo and barmitzvahs, and the new guitarist has left.

The new Viz top 10

For many years small bands and record labels have been unable to get records into the hit parade because of 'chart hyping' by major record companies who pay huge sums of money in bribes to get their records into the charts. The smaller labels are simply unable to compete with the big spenders, and as a result the charts no longer give a true reflection of record sales.

That's why starting in the next issue we are going to publish our own totally independent single chart.

The Viz Top Ten will give all bands, no matter how small, a chance to get their records in the chart at prices they can afford.

If you have made a record, and you want to see it in the chart, simply send us a cheque. Five pounds, ten pounds - whatever you can afford. Then you can sit back and watch your single fly into the charts.



Obviously, the more money you send, the higher your record will climb, but as a special introductory offer, the first band to send us ten pounds will go straight in at number one!

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Name

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Our photographer has made a clever alteration to this picture. Can you identify the band, then spot the odd man out. Here's a clue. 'These musical youths are from Birmingham'.

Label is small

by Dick Mental

Goldilocks once said that big is beautiful, but as Sunderland's Toy Dolls would agree, when it comes to record companies nothing could be further from the truth.

GOLDEN EGG

For the band have just waved goodbye to the fairytale world of EMI and signed up with homey Newcastle label Volume Records.

BEANSTALK

And the band's wishes now appear to be coming true. Following the success of 'Nellie The Elephant', their first single since joining Volume, they have now released an album 'Dig That Groove Baby' (Cat. No. VOLP1) which is selling well in record shops nationally.



Toy Doll Olga

As a Volume spokesman explained, Olga and the band found no pot of gold at the end of EMI's proverbial rainbow.

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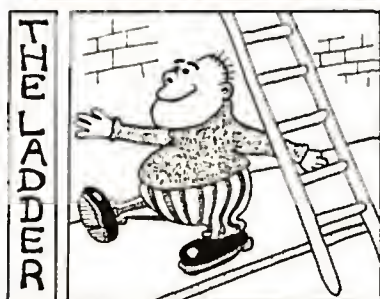
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ANY CHANCE OF A GAME?
OKAY BILLY, YOU CAN GO IN GOAL!

SHORTLY...
I HIT THAT ONE LIKE A BULLET! HOW DID HE STOP IT?
GREAT SAVE KID!
THIS FISH HEAD KID CAN ALMOST SWIM THROUGH THE AIR!
WHAT A KEEPER!!

AFTER THE GAME
YOU WERE GREAT BILLY
WE'D HAVE LOST WITHOUT YOU!

HEY KID, I'M TOMMY BROWN, THE UNITED MANAGER. YOU HAD A GOOD GAME
HEY! IT'S TOMMY BROWN!

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO COME ALONG FOR A TRIAL WITH US?
GOSH! A TRIAL WITH UNITED!
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BUT WATCHING NEARBY IS GUS PARKER, MANAGER OF GRIMTHORPE CITY.
I DON'T LIKE THE LOOK OF THIS. WIFE, THAT FISH HEADED KID IS GOOD... TOO GOOD!
YEAH BOSS
IF HE SIGNS FOR OUR ARCH RIVALS, UNITED, WE WON'T STAND A CHANCE IN SATURDAYS ALL IMPORTANT DERBY!

I THINK WE SHOULD ARRANGE FOR OUR FISH HEADED FRIEND TO HAVE A NASTY ACCIDENT.
HEH HEH HEH!
NEXT WEEK, BILLY IS SET TO SIGN FOR UNITED, BUT GUS PARKER HAS OTHER PLANS!

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We certainly fooled a lot of you with our mystery pop star picture on page 14! Many people seemed to think that it was Cliff Richard, but our prize of ten pounds goes to Mary Smith of Fulchester who was the first person to correctly identify Captain Sensible of The Damned and 'Happy Talk' fame.

POP SCRAMBLE

Answer from page 7; ON

miserable sod

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